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PANAMA.

Reports from Colon—Inspection of vessels.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Mohr reports, July 16 and 19, as follows:

During the week ended July 30, 1904, the following-named vessels cleared for ports in the United States:

British steamship *Louisianian* for New Orleans, via Jamaica and Mexican ports, July 26, with 46 crew and 39 passengers.

American steamship *Seguranca* for New York, July 27, with 70 crew and 58 passengers.

British barkentine *Gallovidian* for Pascagoula, July 29, with 8 crew and no passengers.

Norwegian steamship *Preston* for New Orleans, via Limon, July 29, with 30 crew and no passengers.

Mortuary statistics of Colon, July, 1904—Yellow fever at Ancon.

Total number of deaths during the month, 31, from the following causes: Fevers, not specified, 8; pernicious fever, 1; dysentery, 1; pneumonia, 1; tuberculosis, 1; croup, 1; convulsions, 1; hemorrhage, 1; worms, 5; dropsy, 2; senility, 1; stillbirths, 3; cause not given, 5.

Of these, there were foreign whites, 1; West Indian and other negroes, 15; natives of Panama, 14; Chinese, 1.

The ages ranged as follows: Under 1 year, 5; from 1 to 5 years, 5; from 5 to 10 years, 1; from 20 to 30 years, 2; from 30 to 40 years, 4; from 40 to 50 years, 3; from 50 to 60 years, 4; 60 years and over, 7. At an estimated population of 6,000—the official estimate is 8,000, which is too high—this would give an annual death rate of 62 per 1,000.

I submit copy of a communication received from Assistant Surgeon Pierce, Panama, in which he reports the occurrence of another case of yellow fever.

INCLOSURE.

ANCON, CANAL ZONE, *August 1, 1904.*

There is at present one case of yellow fever isolated at the hospital in Ancon. The patient is a Spaniard who came to Panama from Europe via Colon early in July. He was taken sick in the Gran Hotel (Spanish) near the plaza Santa Ana in this city. The building has been disinfected.

By direction of the chief quarantine officer.

C. C. PIERCE,
Assistant Surgeon.

Report from Bocos del Toro, fruit port.

Acting Assistant Surgeon Osterhout reports as follows: Week ended August 4, 1904. Present officially estimated population not obtainable; number of deaths, 2; prevailing diseases, malarial fevers; general sanitary condition of this port and the surrounding country during the week, good.